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SUMMARY SHEET

TO 1. IAID

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3. Secretary of War

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File No. MID 915

Subject

Strengthening of Espionage Laws of U. S.

Date 10 June 16

SUMMARY

- 1. The Military Intelligence Division, together with the Office of Naval Intelligence and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, have been making a study of needed improvements in the espionage laws of the United States. This study has been based on experience with existing statutes during the recent war.
- 2. Several recommendations outlining the objectives for new legislation have been prepared as a result of the above study, which the three intelligence agencies believe will strengthen the security of the nation. The Federal Bureau of Investigation is the governmental agency charged with that security; it has submitted similar recommendations to the Attorney General, and it has requested the War and Navy Departments also to submit such recommendations.
- 3. The attached letter to the Attorney General incloses the recommendations and it is recommended that it be signed and dispatched.

COORDINATION

4. Office of Naval Intelligence (Capt. J. W. Whitfield) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (Mr. D. M. Ladd).

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